

1965 AIRWAYS AND AIR COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

1965 Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron

STATIONS

Burtonwood, England

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Air Traffic Control was provided by 1965th AACS Squadron under Captain David Zine operating three distinct sections on a 24 hour 365 day basis. They were Tower, Local GCA and Teletype Sections. The Teletype called the Aironet, passed information regarding flight plans and cargo movements. Burtonwood lay (and still lies) within the Manchester Control Zone and direct telephone lines linked Manchester and Liverpool Airports and the Royal Naval Airfield at Stretton with Burtonwood to co ordinate air traffic. Most traffic at Burtonwood in 1958 comprised 53rd Weather Squadron and MATs nights but also included some BOAC aircraft. During 1955 BOAC

operated six scheduled flights from Burtonwood per week with Boeing Stratocruisers whilst Ringway's runways were not considered safe for night operations. The flights were to and from New York but Customs were undertaken at Prestwick. Due to security no facilities were offered at Burtonwood for the passengers who were bused to and from Ringway.

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